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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency Web site. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clark County

In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Michelle L. Moore** (NC10069541) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of assault — domestic violence, and assault.

Douglas County

In April 2010 the Massage Practitioner Program terminated the order of probation against **Whitney Lynn Lawrence** (MA60069443).

King County

In April 2010 the Registered Counselor Program charged **Tara L. Brinson** (RC00053951) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In April 2010 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Calen H. Broadbent** (DE00006273) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly took x-rays that were of non-diagnostic quality, and several restorations he performed on a patient prematurely failed.

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In April 2010 the Medical Commission entered into an agreed order with physician **Frederick B. Davis** (MD00010139). He made inappropriate sexual contact with a patient placing her at an unreasonable risk for harm, and failed to keep adequate treatment records for the patient. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In April 2010 the Midwifery Program charged **Amanda Feldmann** (MW00000259) with unprofessional conduct. Allegations include attempting a home delivery when she knew there were risks, failing to disclose her identity as a treating midwife and the patient's medical history to emergency medical personnel when they were called to transport the patient to the hospital, and failing to consult with a physician when labor deviated from normal.

In April 2010 the Nursing Commission placed the license of licensed practical nurse **Crystal D. Girard** (LP00055556) on probation for two years. Police searched her residence where they found six tablets of Seroquel, a legend drug, that were prescribed to one of her patients. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In April 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Lynanne Haddix** (RN00125882) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

In April 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Ronald D. Hanson** (CO60133112) and placed his certification on probation for two years. He was convicted of unlawful possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine on more than one occasion, and bail jumping. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

In April 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Lori L. Hendon-Coverson** (CO60124043) and placed her certification on probation for three years. She was convicted of robbery, and possession of cocaine. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

In April 2010 the Chiropractic Commission released chiropractor **Bradford Thomas Kremer** (CH60071550) from terms and conditions set against his license.

In April 2010 the Massage Practitioner Program placed the license of **Enrico Modiano** (MA00001135) on probation for two years. He engaged in sexual misconduct with a patient. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In April 2010 the Nursing Commission released registered nurse **Kristi D. Richardson** (RN00089469) from terms and conditions set against her license.

In April 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program granted the application of **Catherine Christina Simpson** (HC60138171) and placed conditions against her license. She was convicted of unlawful possession of a controlled substance, and her certification to practice as a nursing assistant was revoked. She also failed to disclose the revocation on her application. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

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In April 2010 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program granted the application of emergency medical technician **George Alex Ure, II** (ES60137116) and placed conditions against his certification. He was convicted of felony harassment, malicious mischief, and burglary on more than one occasion. His license to practice as a health care assistant was indefinitely suspended, and reinstated. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

Kitsap County

In March 2010 the Dental Commission denied the application of dental assistant **Krista D. Ellefsen** (D160108031). She was convicted of driving under the influence.

Pierce County

In April 2010 the Medical Commission reinstated the license of physician **Rex M. Alvord** (MD00035185) and placed his license on probation for five years. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In April 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program charged **Lillian M. Kroll** (HC00154174) with unprofessional conduct. Her certification to practice as a nursing assistant was indefinitely suspended.

In April 2010 the Registered Counselor and Chemical Dependency Professional Programs released **Dawn Michelle Winkes** (RC00057721, CP60081200) from terms and conditions set against her registration and license.

Snohomish County

In April 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional, Licensed Mental Health Counselor, and Sex Offender Treatment Provider Programs charged **Rochelle Long** (CP00003867, LH00007726, AF10000160), also known as Rochelle Cowan, with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly provided substance abuse counseling without certification by the Washington State Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse. She also allegedly provided false verification that a sex offender client had signed a treatment plan, and entered a stipulated order of continuance on a related criminal charge of perjury.

Spokane County

In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Mysti R. Snyder** (NC10036904) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance — crack cocaine.

In April 2010 the Medical Commission reinstated the license of physician William L. Weigel (MD00034062). Dr. Weigel's license is unrestricted in Washington.

In April 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of

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chemical dependency professional trainee **Anthony L. Williams** (CO60142034) and placed his certification on probation for three years. Conditions were set against his credential to practice as a registered counselor. He must also comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

Stevens County

In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification of certified nursing assistant **Bonnie L. Guderjohn** (NC10042035).

Yakima County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the application of **Peter G. Holmes** (NA60040541). He was convicted of two counts of aggravated battery against a household member, false imprisonment, reckless driving, and shoplifting.

Out of State

Florida: In April 2010 the Medical Commission entered into an agreed order with physician **Kwame Asante-Nkansa** (MD60019472). His clinical privileges at his previous place of employment were revoked, and he failed to disclose the revocation to the department. He agreed not to renew his expired Washington license.

Oregon: In April 2010 the Nursing Commission denied the reactivation application of registered nurse **Lynette E. Rodd** (RN00082414). She failed to disclose the indefinite suspension of her license to practice as a registered nurse in Oregon on her application.

Texas: In April 2010 the Board of Physical Therapy charged physical therapy assistant **Andrew Paco Lopez** (P160045837) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly entered into a sexual relationship with a patient.

Wisconsin: In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification of certified nursing assistant **Charles A. Bryant** (NC10024017) and placed conditions against his certification. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his certification.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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